

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Van Soest, R.

Examiner: Ton, Trit

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Group Art Unit: 2877

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For: INSPECTION DEVICE FOR  
OBJECTS WITH A SPHERICAL  
SURFACE

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**NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE TO LARGE ENTITY STATUS  
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.27 (g)(2) AND CORRECTION OF ERROR IN  
CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS PURSUANT TO 37 CFR §1.28(c)**

Sir:

The above-referenced application was filed on April 24, 2006 claiming small entity status. At the time of filing the assertion of small entity status was accurate.

It has now been discovered that after the filing date of this application, the small entity status has changed. The continued, post-filing status as a small entity before the Office was in error, but was in good faith and was not with any attempt to deceive the Office.

Only after recent detailed and further review of 13 CFR § 121.802 and 37 CFR § 1.27 did the Assignee realize that they were a large entity. The Assignee became a large entity on May 16, 2006. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.27(g)(1) and 37 C.F.R. §1.28(c)(1), please accept this statement to correct the erroneously claimed small entity status and to make of record that the Assignee is a large entity for the above-referenced matter.

Submitted herewith is an itemized statement of the deficiencies owed for all payments made on or after May 16, 2006 for the above-referenced application, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.28(c)(2), as follows:

<u>Fee Description</u>	<u>Current Fee Code</u>	<u>Date Paid</u>	<u>Fee Paid as Small Entity</u>	<u>Current Large Entity Fee</u>	<u>Difference Due</u>
<u>Prosecution Fees:</u>					
IDS Submission	1806	Jan. 4, 2008	180.00	180.00	0.00
Request for Continued Examination	1801/2801	Apr. 24, 2008	405.00	810.00	405.00
<u>Grant Fees:</u>					
Issue Fee	1501/2501	Aug. 20, 2008	755.00	1,510.00	755.00
Publication Fee	1505	Aug. 20, 2008	300.00	300.00	0.00
<b>Total Fees Paid:</b>			1,640.00		
<b>Total Fees Due as Large Entity:</b>				2,800.00	
<b>Total Fees Due Herewith:</b>					<b>1,160.00</b>

A fee of \$1,160.00 is believed to be due with this submission. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment the fees associated with this communication, or any additional fees which may be due or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-2461. Such authorization includes authorization to charge fees for extensions of time, if any, under 37

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C.F.R. § 1.17 and also should be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in this reply or any future reply pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.

Attorney for the Applicant further specifically requests that all future maintenance fee statements be changed to reflect payment for as a large entity.

Please direct any questions regarding this submission to Applicant's undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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**REQUEST TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT**

Sir:

Concurrently herewith Attorney for the Applicants is filing a rectification of filing status  
from small entity to large entity.

Attorney for the Applicants respectfully submits that payment of the deficiency owed was  
not directly evident with the fees options for EFS filing.

Accordingly, the Attorney for the Applicants is specifically filing this separate  
communication to ensure that the Office properly processes all fees due. A fee of \$1,160.00 is  
believed to be due with this submission. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge

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payment of \$1,160.00 or any additional fees which may be due or credit any overpayment, to  
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